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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: SABOTAGE SUSPECTED IN TRAIN ACCIDENT

1. SEPTEMBER 21 EDITION OF JOHANNESBURG STAR REPORTED THAT TRAIN WHICH LEFT WINDHOEK PREVIOUS NIGHT FOR SA WAS DELAYED FOR SIX HOURS AFTER IT HAD HIT OBSTRUCTION ON TRACKS 48 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF WINDHOEK. TRAIN WAS NOT DERAILED AND NOBODY WAS INJURED.

2. ACCORDING TO STAR, OBSTRUCTION CONSISTED OF RAILROAD TIES. RAILWAY OFFICIALS WERE ORDERED TO MAKE NO STATEMENTS, BUT STAR SAID "SABOTAGE IS REPORTEDLY BEING INVESTIGATED."

3. AS OF SEPTEMBER 25, SAG HAS STILL MADE NO OFFICIAL COMMENT. HOWEVER, WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY WINDHOEK NEWSPAPER EDITOR THAT WITHOUT QUESTION THERE HAD BEEN SABOTAGE ATTEMPT. HE SAID HE HAD VISITED SCENE OF ACCIDENT AND THAT IN ADDITION TO SEVERAL TIES

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PILED ON RAILWAY LINE, TRACK ITSELF HAD BEEN UNBOLTED.

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